

Shakamak State Park  
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Current Interpretive Center Hours: **12 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays**  
(Check schedule below for additional days...)

*All programs are on Eastern Daylight Savings Time and are held at the Nature Center unless otherwise stated!*

#### Saturday, July 12

Nature Center Open from **12-3 p.m.** today.

- 9:00 a.m.     HP/HP: Take a Hike! Meet the Naturalist at Trail 3 for a moderate 1.5 mile hike. Wear hiking shoes; no flip-flops please. Bring a bottle water and some bug spray. **EMB**
- 1:00 p.m.     Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour It's our new program for kids and families. Stop by the Nature Center and learn how you can work towards a patch or pin. We meet one hour a day to get you started or help you as you are working along. NO groups please. Groups interested in earning a patch should ask about The Hoosier Pathfinder Program, which includes a fee. **EMB**

#### Sunday, July 13

- 8:30 a.m.     Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.

#### Thursday, July 17

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

- 11:00 a.m.     Enviroscopes Learn how to turn everyday trash into a work of art! **DLF**
- 1:00 p.m.     Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. **DLF**
- 3:00 p.m.     Solar Pictures Meet on the sidewalk outside the Nature Center to let the sun create a unique picture! **DLF**

#### Friday, July 18: FULL MOON!!!

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

- 10:00 a.m.     Nature's Recyclers CSI has NOTHING on us! Join us for a short hike to find evidence of who is making all this soil...**DLF**
- 1:00 p.m.     Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. **DLF**
- 3:00 p.m.     Wee Beasties Under High Power Ever wanted to be a scientist? Well, here's your chance! Become a scientist as you collect insects and use microscopes and hand lenses to examine insects. Find out who has polka dots on its legs! **DLF**
- 8:30 p.m.     "By The Light of the Moon" Hike Meet at the Campground Gate. We'll use the light of July's full moon to guide our way as we take a closer look at the sensory adaptations of nocturnal animals! **EMB/DLF**

### Saturday, July 19

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

10:00 a.m. Tree ID Spree Meet outside the NC for a short program on how to identify some of the common trees found in Shakamak State Park. It's a great program for anyone doing leaf collections this coming fall! EMB

1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. EMB

3:00 p.m. Tree Shirts Bring your own white t-shirt to decorate with various tree leaves. Great for learning identification. EMB

### Sunday, July 20

8:30 a.m. Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.

### Saturday, July 26 HAPPY BIRTHDAY SMOKEY BEAR!

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

Stop by the NC for a sweet snack to celebrate Smokey's Birthday, while supplies last.

10:00 a.m. Roving Naturalist The Naturalist will be roving the campground this morning to answer questions. EMB

1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. EMB

5:00 p.m. Pool Program: Creature Feature: Box Turtle! Nothing to do during your pool break? Head out to the **Pool Deck** for a short program on box turtles. EMB

7:00 p.m. HP/HP: Sunset Stroll Join the Naturalist at **Trail 2**, just past the Log Cabin for a leisurely hike. We'll discuss the forest as a multi-layered cake! EMB

### Sunday, July 27

8:30 a.m. Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.

### Thursday, July 31

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

10:00 a.m. Adaptation Artistry Create your own critter while learning about some of nature's marvelous survivors. Prizes for all. DLF

1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. DLF

3:00 p.m. If I Had a Hammer Try this new approach for flower pressing and make a unique keepsake. All children need adult supervision. DLF

### Friday, August 1

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

10:00 a.m. Wildflower Walk Enjoy a stroll through near-by fields and forests to sketch nature's beauties. Recycled journals and colored pencils will be available. DLF

1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. DLF

3:00 p.m. Memory Makers Settle in for an evening of scrap booking -camping style- as you preserve your Skakamak memories. DLF

### Saturday, August 2

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

- 10:00 a.m. Nature's Basketry Try your hand at an ancient craft while using an unwanted plant to enhance your basket. EMB/DLF
- 1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12th for details. EMB
- 3:00 p.m. Walking In Style Create your own walking stick – we'll provide the sticks, you bring the pocket knife. Recommended for children 10 and older. Parent supervision is required. EMB/DLF
- 8:00 p.m. Row, Row, Row Your Boat Get paddle happy and join the Naturalists for a relaxing trip around Lake Kickapoo. Get there early, space is limited. First come, first serve. EMB/DLF

#### Sunday, August 3

- 8:30 a.m. Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.

#### Friday, August 8

Nature Center Open from 12–4 p.m. today.

- 10:00 a.m. Natural Weavings Join us for a short hike to gather fallen items to adorn your own branch weaving. DLF
- 1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12th for details. DLF
- 3:00 p.m. Go Batty! Hear the story of our nocturnal friends, then make one to take home with you. Especially good for young children! DLF

#### Saturday, August 9

Nature Center Open from 12–3 p.m. today.

- 8:00 a.m. HP/HP: Early Morning Meander Get up and get some fresh air on this 3 mile hike around Lake Shakamak! We'll watch for deer and other critters moving about in the new day. Bring binoculars if you have some or borrow a pair of ours. EMB
- 1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12th for details. EMB

#### Sunday, August 10

- 8:30 a.m. Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.

#### Friday, August 15

- 9:00 p.m. Sensing the Night Hike Enjoy the night by using all your senses while learning about the special adaptations nocturnal animals have on this moderate hike. Roughly one-hour in length. NO FLASHLIGHTS. EMB/DLF

#### Saturday, August 16

Nature Center Open from 12–4 p.m. today.

- 10:00 a.m. Trees 101 Learn how to identify ten common trees of Shakamak State Park. It's not really a college course, but be prepared for a quiz! EMB
- 1:00 p.m. Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12th for details. EMB
- 8:00 p.m. FishIN in the Dark Enjoy an evening of fishing at the boat dock on Lake Kickapoo. Bring your glow-bobbers and glow-in-the-dark bait. Children MUST be accompanied by an adult. EMB

#### Sunday, August 17

8:30 a.m.     Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.

Saturday, August 23

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

10:00 a.m.     The Masked Bandit You all know him, particularly if you are a long-time camper at Shakamak. Join us in the Nature Center for a short discussion on this furry, sometimes too friendly, resident of Shakamak State Park. EMB

1:00 p.m.     Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. EMB

3:00 p.m.     Adaptation Artistry Create your own critter while learning about some of nature's marvelous survivors. Prizes for all. DLF

7:00 p.m.     Outdoor Cooking: Beyond the Hot Dog! Experiment with delicious new ways to feed your family and share your favorite camping recipes. DLF/EMB

Sunday, August 24

8:30 a.m.     Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.

Saturday, August 30

Nature Center Open from 12-4 p.m. today.

9:00 a.m.     Free FishIN Derby! Registration begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 10 a.m. The derby will last until noon. For children 16 and under only. Bring your own pole and bait if you have them, if not bait will be available for purchase in the camp store, which is located next to the pool. Prizes will be given for biggest catch and most caught. EMB

1:00 p.m.     Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour See Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for details. EMB

3:00 p.m.     Fish Prints Bring your own white T-shirt to decorate with a unique fish print. EMB

8:00 p.m.     Movie Night Come to the Nature Center to enjoy the movie *The Great Outdoors*. EMB

Sunday, August 31

8:30 a.m.     Beach Bible Study Meet on the pool deck for a non-denominational worship service.